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OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Application of

Negoro, et al.

Application No.: 10/769,817

Filed: February 3, 2004

Attorney Docket No.: R2180.0189/P189

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING DMOS AND CMOS ON SINGLE SUBSTRATE

DECISION ACCORDING STATUS

UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

This is a decision on the reconsideration petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed October 13, 2004.

The petition is granted.

Petitioners have shown that the non-signing inventor, Takeshi Kimura, cannot be located. Specifically, the declaration of facts of Suichi Tomita, a member of the intellectual property group of Ricoh Technology Research, Inc., establishes that despite attempts to locate the inventor through the mail, through inquiries of his former colleagues, through inquiries of the post office, through telephone calls, and through Internet searches, that Mr. Kimura cannot be located. Petitioners have submitted a declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64.

This application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

After this decision is mailed, the above-identified application will be forwarded to Technology Center G.A.U. 2822 for examination in due course.

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